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Vicki Brooker photo

Community Choir sways to Elk Point original

Coonskin-capped director Udo Mueller leads Elk Point Community Choir in The Voyageur Song, written by Rob Holliday and Gabrielle Bayduza for the 1992 Bicentennial of Fort George and Buckingham House, as the choir marked their 20th anniversary at the May 23 Spring Concert.

Choir marks two decades of concerts

By VICKI BROOKER

Review Staff

Former members of Elk Point and District Community Choir came from near and far to swell the audience at the choir's first-ever afternoon Spring Concert, as the popular singing group marked their 20th anniversary on a very un-spring-like Sunday, May 23.

"Our program is 20 years personified," choir president Don Conrad told the audience, some of who were visiting the Elk Point Arts and Leisure Centre for the first time. "How time flies when you're having fun, how quickly those years have passed. We've seen members come and go, move away and pass away."

Along with a wraparound display of the choir's photos and programs from Christmas and spring concerts and theatre productions, was a tribute to those choir members who have passed away. Norman Hartley, Jill Hartley, Tammy

Gottenbos, Edith Mitchell, Gladys Haag, John Mohyluk, Shirley Ockerman, Charlie Thomson, Doreen Rath, Ella Skawronski, Jerome Keichinger and Adaline Zenko were remembered on a poster in the form of a musical staff, adorned with musical notes bearing their names.

The choir's first concert, in June 1990, was held in Elk Point United Church, with 32 members performing, Conrad said. "Since then, at times we've grown to 55 to 65 members."

These individuals are more than merely people who sing together each week, he said. "There's a fellowship among us; we're a humongous family that has laughed and shed tears together, a family unsurpassed by any other."

Conrad introduced pianist Deanna Easthope, who has been with the choir since its beginning, director Udo Mueller, who took over from original director Don Buryn 10 years ago, and page turner Elizabeth Orr, calling them

"our three cornerstones."

A solo by Cheryl Kurash was featured in the choir's first selection, "Down to the River to Pray." That was followed by the classic "Unchained Melody" and the a cappella number, "Just Let Me Sing!" "The Mansions of the Lord" and the lilting "Rhythm of Life," accompanied by both Easthope and Linda Peters on piano wound up the first set.

Peters was also featured on the piano in the first of three special numbers, a duet with Erica Spoeth on cello in the 1780s classic Plaisir d'Amour, a melody known to many as Elvis Presley's "Can't Help Falling in Love."

The Harmony trio, Cheryl Kurash, Shirley Osinchuk and Kerry Anderson, sang "Arise My Love" and "The Way of the Cross Led Me Home," and were joined by Garry Townsend, Alan Kostyniuk and Aaron Peterson for "Yes I Know."

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Mill rate drops, but some taxes will climb

Property reassessment responsible for increases in 2010 home, business tax bills

By VICKI BROOKER

Review Staff

A one-mill drop in tax rates in four of five categories of Elk Point ratepayers may not be reflected in the bottom line on their 2010 tax bills, due to increased assessments that will see some home and business owners paying more than last year.

Town council passed all three readings of their 2010 tax rate bylaw last Monday, dropping residential, farm land, condominium and four-plex tax rates from 10.496 mills in 2009 to 9.496 this year, non-residential with improvements and linear tax rates from 23.000 to 22.000 mills and non-

residential vacant from 25.294 to 24.294 mills. The machinery and equipment tax rates, which have dropped each year since 2005, jumped from 14.605 mills to 19.043 mills, which is still lower than the 2005 figure.

Council studied two alternative sets of figures before deciding on the rates, but agreed that while leaving the mill rate at last year's figures would generate substantial reserves for the town, it would also mean dramatic changes in tax bills for property owners whose homes or businesses were reassessed this year. Mayor Parrish Tung said his taxes would have jumped by 41 per

cent if the mill rate had remained at last year's level.

"Is this livable or not?" the mayor asked council as they studied the second set of figures, with the one-mill drop, with councilors agreeing that this change would be a big improvement.

"We're trying to keep taxes reasonable," Mayor Tung said. "Some get a break, and some don't," depending on whether a property has been reassessed, he noted. Assessment totals have increased from just over \$100 million to \$123 million this year.

Most of the \$892,650 the town will raise through taxation goes for wages and munic-

ipal operations, which include everything from snowplowing streets and patching pavement to paying the town's share of operating the transfer station.

Transfer station

The transfer station was on council's agenda later in the meeting, with town manager Myron Goyan reporting that the engineer has recommended constructing a new dry waste pit cell one and a half times the size of the original, which has lasted for eight years. The new pit will need four monitoring wells at a cost of \$8,000 to \$9,000. Council moved to proceed with the new pit.

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Youth charged in stabbing

By Cst. JOHN SPAANS
Elk Point RCMP
Detachment

On May 29 at 6:45 a.m., Elk Point RCMP received a complaint of a stabbing at a residence on the Frog Lake First Nations. Members attended and found the victim suffering from multiple non-life-threatening stab wounds to his upper body. Elk Point EMS attended the scene and transported the victim to an area hospital.

It is alleged that a 17-year-old male stabbed the victim after the two entered into a verbal dispute that turned physical.

The suspect was located by RCMP as a passenger in a vehicle a short time after the stabbing took place. The youth has been charged with aggravated assault and will appear in St. Paul Youth Court to speak to the charge.

Drug seizure

During the afternoon of May 28, Elk Point RCMP executed a judicially authorized search warrant at a residence on Frog Lake First Nations. The search warrant was executed after a lengthy Controlled Drugs and Substances trafficking investigation. Three individuals who were located inside the residence were taken into custody. As members were entering the residence, one of the occupants attempted to destroy the

marihuana by flushing it down the toilet. This did not work and the marihuana was recovered. During the search, members located marihuana, Canadian currency and a number of long barrel firearms.

One of the arrested individuals was released with no charges after it was determined that he did not have any involvement in drug trafficking.

Jeffery Faithful, 30, and Theodore Sellers, 24, of Frog Lake have been charged with possession of marihuana for the purpose of trafficking.

Both suspects have been released from custody on bail with strict conditions. They will appear in St. Paul Provincial Court to speak to these allegations.

Drug charges

On May 19 at 3:30 a.m., RCMP were driving on Highway 41 near 53 Ave. in Elk Point when a group of males were seen riding their bikes in the middle of the highway. When members neared, two of the parties fled the scene. Members gave chase and captured one of the males. The suspect was found to be very intoxicated and arrested for public intoxication. When the male was searched, he was found to be in possession of marihuana. The 20-year-old Elk Point male has been charged under the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act and will now need to appear in St. Paul Provincial Court.

Stolen cheques

On May 18, Elk Point RCMP investigated a complaint of stolen and fraudu-

lently cashed cheques in Fishing Lake. A Fishing Lake business owner had a number of cheques stolen, allegedly by a 34-year-old male. The suspect attempted to use one of the cheques at a store in Fishing Lake when he was confronted by the owner of the cheques. The suspect male handed over two of the stolen cheques and claimed he had no more in his possession. However, later in the day, the suspect was caught by the Cold Lake RCMP attempting to cash another of the stolen cheques at a Money Mart in Cold Lake. The suspect now faces charges of possession of stolen property, fraud, forgery and obstruction. The male will now appear in St. Paul and Cold Lake provincial courts.

Impaired driving

At 10:30 p.m. on May 22, Elk Point RCMP spotted a group of all terrain vehicles stunting on the roadway in Elk Point. As the member approached, one of the vehicles drove away at a high rate of speed. The vehicle drove a short distance into a gated business before it got stuck in a pile of dirt. As RCMP approached the driver, the vehicle became unstuck but the RCMP member pulled the driver from the vehicle. At this time, it was determined that the 22-year-old Bonnyville male was impaired by alcohol. Subsequent breath tests indicated a blood alcohol level well in excess of the legal limit. The suspect has been charged with impaired driving and was issued a handful of violation tickets

under the Traffic Safety Act. **Intoxicated person**

At 2:20 a.m. on May 22, Elk Point RCMP received a call from a concerned citizen who heard moaning coming from a van parked on the roadway in Elk Point. Members attended to find a 38-year-old male grossly intoxicated in the back of the van. The male was brought to detachment cells for his own safety and released once sober enough to care for himself.

Suspicious activity

On May 19 at 10:30 p.m., a call was received about two suspicious people lurking around a residence in Frog Lake. Members attended and found that the suspects had already fled the scene. After speaking with the homeowners, suspects were identified and located a short time later. The two male youths were spoken to about their behaviour and it was determined that they were using the complainant's yard as a shortcut. The two boys were encouraged not to walk through other people's yards late at night.

Shortly after midnight on May 21, RCMP were called to a group of youths walking near the Elk Point Library. The youths were seen throwing objects and jumping on the bumpers of parked vehicles. The suspects were not located and it is not believed any damage was caused to the vehicles.

Elk Point RCMP encourages the public to call regarding any activity that may be suspicious or concerning.

Council debates options

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Kehewin campground

The currently closed provincial campground at Kehewin Lake figured prominently in economic development officer Bob Bezpalko's report as well as on council's agenda. Council was told that the boat launch is still accessible for use, although the campsites are closed.

Bezpalko had forwarded information on leasing the site to council, who learned that if the town wanted to take over the operation, it would mean signing a 15-year lease, which the province could cancel at any time. Councillors agreed the campground is important to the town, but questioned the profitability of the operation, with Coun. Mark Gormley noting, "I'd like to see some numbers." They decided to write to the County of St. Paul, stating that the town is looking at options, and inquiring if the county might be interested in a partnership.

Elk Point Chamber of Commerce NEXT MEETING RESCHEDULED TO Wednesday, June 9, 2010 - 12:00 Noon EMPRESS RESTAURANT - ELK POINT

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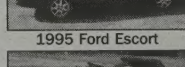
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A solo by Cheryl Kurash highlighted the choir's first number, "Down to the River to Pray."



First-year page turner Elizabeth Orr assisted 20-year pianist Deanna Easthope at the concert.

Community Choir: 20 years

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Townsend, Kostyniuk and Peterson wound up the series of special numbers with "Climbing Up the Mountain."

The ladies of the choir were back on stage for "I Hope You Dance," and were joined by the men for a medley of ABBA tunes, including "Fernando," "Mama Mia," "Waterloo" and "Dancing Queen." The men of the choir sang the last number of the set, Rita MacNeill's "Working Man," with a solo by David Pilisko and with Linda Peters at the piano.

Choir vice president Barb Buryn presented the choir's annual \$200 bursary to Elk Point student Milo Smith, who performed in this year's dinner theatre presentation, "Fiddler on the Roof." He plans to study dramatic arts

in Lethbridge following his graduation from F. G. Miller High School.

The choir opened their final set with "Deep in Our Hearts," followed by "You Raise Me Up," featuring a solo by Rocky Wallbaum and flute accompaniment by Robyn Sieben, and "The Scarlet Tide."

Long and enthusiastic applause was the choir's reward for one of their most memorable numbers, with accordion accompaniment by Gabe Bayduza, who wrote the song along with Rob Holliday in honour of the 1992 bicentennial of Fort George and Buckingham House, solo verses by Udo Mueller and the entire choir swaying to the music of "The Voyageur Song."

"It's been fun today," Mueller said,

doffing his raccoon-tailed hat after the song. "It's a special time." He noted that the choir acts as a service group, a social fraternity, a music advocacy society and an extended family for its members, sharing joys and sorrows. Along with the presentations in the United Church, Elk Point Elementary School, Elk Point Seniors Recreation Centre and now in the Allied Arts Centre, the choir has made numerous visits to other communities and performed both on Canada's east coast and abroad. They will be on tour again this summer, when they travel to the United Kingdom and Ireland.

The choir's final two numbers of the afternoon were an a cappella version of "I'm Going Home" and the beautiful "Irish Blessing."

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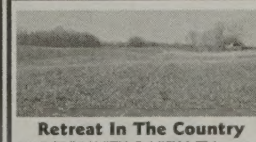
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EDITORIAL

Two out of three not bad

As the old *Meat Loaf* song says, "Two out of three ain't bad." Two Riverland Adventure Challenges enjoyed great weather before the third proved to be more of a challenge than even the hardest competitors wanted to deal with.

Best-laid plans cannot make the weather cooperate, and this was the case this Saturday, for both this event and the Jan Frisby ball tournament, which has been very lucky weatherwise over the years. No doubt other events in the area, and many plans for weekend activities were also the victims of Mother Nature's temper tantrum.

The Canada Day celebrations have suffered from weather interruptions in the past, and have learned to have a "what if?" backup plan to deal with these situations. No doubt that will top next year's list of planning to-dos.

WAY BACK WHEN...

Groundbreaking, grand champions, goodbyes

HERE'S THE NEWS THAT MADE THE HEADLINES OF THE LAKELAND REVIEW AND ELK POINT REVIEW FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 1 IN...

1985

A group was formed to conduct a feasibility study on a regional sanitary landfill in the St. Paul - Elk Point region, but it was unknown at that time if the County of St. Paul would be involved. KenArt Investments Ltd. broke ground for the second phase of their apartment complex, an additional 35 suites to help meet the growing need for rental accommodation in the community.

1990

Robyn Danyluk showed the Inter-Club Grand Champion steer at the St. Paul District Show and Sale, after receiving the reserve champion trophy in the Elk Point club, where Jodi Vogel showed the grand champion steer, Tim Havener the grand champion heifer and Richard Piotrowski the reserve champion heifer. A total of 32 new records were set at the county elementary track meet, three of them by Joni Mathews and two by Darcy Stafford of Elk Point, helping Elk Point to continue their long tradition of winning the county cup.

1995

Heinsburg Community School's 10-member Class of 1995 agreed, "It's hard to say goodbye" at their graduation ceremonies, where valedictorian Edlyn Smuk said, "today, this minute, this second is the turning point in our lives." Town council was unable to finalize the year's budget because they were waiting for the M.D. of St. Paul's funding requisition.

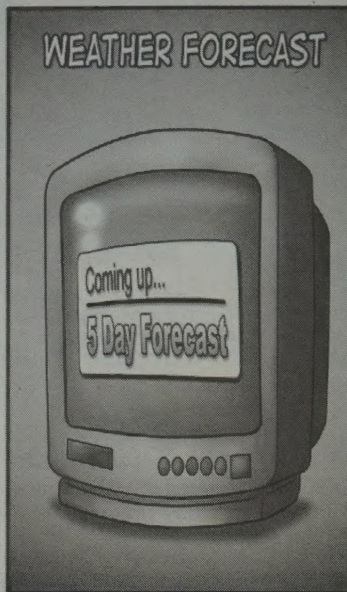
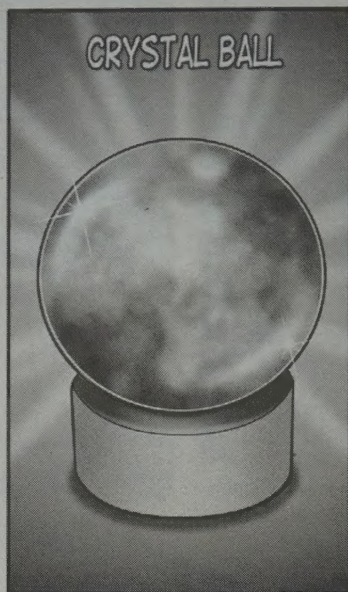
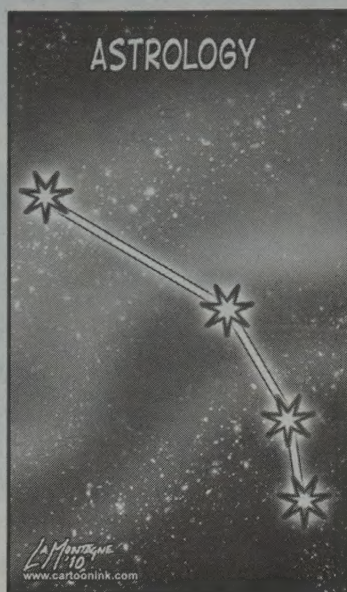
2000

Matthew Robinson and Taralee Babenek showed Elk Point's 4-H grand and supreme champions, with the reserve champions shown by Leanne Ference and Peter Danyluk. Elk Point Auto Club's Show and Shine was the biggest and best ever, with 58 entries spanning nine decades of vehicular history lined up on Main Street.

2005

Their mountain was waiting for Heinsburg Community School's Class of 2005 grads Ronald Moyah, Stacie Stanley, Heather Calliou and Amber Krider, and staff representative June Jenkins wished them "gentle slopes" in her reply to their toast to the teachers. Elk Point Chamber of Commerce received \$2,000 in support from REACH Corporation for their Shop Locally promotion, with REACH's Dick Millar stating the corporation was "excited and proud to be involved."

WHEN LOOKING TO THE FUTURE, WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN...



THE FIRST TWO HAVE A CHANCE OF BEING ACCURATE.

GUEST COLUMN

Energetic students

Now that it is the first of June and the weather is hot and sunny, how are all our students doing in school? Many a parent and many a teacher have noted that it has become obvious that students would prefer not to be in the classroom. Thus the question becomes: "How does one energize students to learn in the classroom?"

Actually, learning in the classroom is dependent on several things. These can include, of course, the student, the teacher and the subject. Then this all depends on the background of all of these items. Background refers to the home, the environment and interest of the subject being taught. So in reality, learning can be very complicated. So when we simply state that students have a hard time learning in the classroom because the weather outside is hot and sunny, this statement may not explain the whole reality of why the student is having a hard time being in the classroom.

I found some history of a person who had a great desire to print a book so others could read and learn. On October 6, in the year 1536, a pitiful figure was led from a dungeon in Vilvorde Castle near Brussels, Belgium. For nearly a year and a half, the man had suffered isolation in a dark, damp cell. Now outside the castle wall, the prisoner was fastened to a post. He had time to utter aloud his final prayer, "Lord! Open the King of England's eyes," and then he was strangled. Immediately, his body was burned at the stake.

Who was this man, and what was the offense for which both political and ecclesiastical authorities had condemned him? His name was William Tyndale, and his crime was to have translated and published the Bible in English. Tyndale, born in England about the time Columbus sailed to the new world, was educated at Oxford and Cambridge and then became a member of the Catholic clergy. He was fluent in eight languages, including Greek, Hebrew, and Latin. Tyndale was a devoted student of the Bible, and pervasive ignorance of the scriptures that he observed in both priests



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from the FCSS desk

and lay people troubled him deeply. He sought the approval of church authorities to prepare a translation of the Bible in English so that all could read and apply the word of God. It was denied - the prevailing view being that direct access to the scriptures by any but the clergy threatened the authority of the church and was tantamount to casting "pearls before swine" (Matthew 7:6).

Tyndale nevertheless undertook the challenging work of translation. In 1524 he traveled to Germany, under an assumed name, where he lived much of the time in hiding, under constant threat of arrest. With the help of committed friends, Tyndale was able to publish

English translations of the New Testament and later the Old Testament. The Bibles were smuggled into England, where they were in great demand and much prized by those who could get them. They were shared widely, but in secret. The authorities burned all the copies they could find. Nevertheless, within three years of Tyndale's death, God did indeed open King Henry VIII's eyes, and with publication of what was called the "Great Bible," the scriptures in English began to be publicly available. Tyndale's work became the foundation for almost all future English translations of the Bible, most notably the King James Version.

Tyndale's story is really about a person who became energized in wanting to give others the opportunity to learn. He made it happen and he lost his life for making it happen. Today, books are available on many subjects and teachers don't risk losing their lives for making sure students are having the opportunity to learn from books.

So what is happening today? Modern technology has taken students from books, to the computer to opportunities to learn on small hand-held devices. If this is the case, the next question becomes: "What is causing students not to be energized in learning what is being offered in the classroom at school?" A possible answer to this question is the student has become so involved with "filters" (Filtering on computers is a lock on controlling what information is available to a person) that the student has now turned filtering around to determine what they will learn.

Oh my! If this is the case, no wonder it has become hard to be energized on subjects being taught in the classroom. O.K. students - prove me wrong. Be energized and go for learning this June.

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Sox streak screeches to a halt

A few weeks ago, trying to stop the Sox was like trying to plug off a runaway oil well two miles under the sea. The Sox were unstoppable, sailing right along before the May long weekend, they had an outstanding start to the season and were on a roll after winning another game over Vegreville to make it five wins in a row.

On Wednesday, May 12 the Sox hosted the Bears, winning 12 to 1 in five innings. Dylan Berg was on the hill for the Sox and allowed only one run on four hits, with five strikeouts, and giving up only two walks. Lead off batter Tanner Corbeil with two timely singles driving in four runs, both hits came with two outs and two strikes on the batter. Ryan Keefe with two RBIs off his single, Brett "Bert" Romanovich laying down a dandy sacrifice bunt to move two runners into the scoring position.

It's easy to be cocky when you win five games in a row and most of them by ten runs in five innings. But there's a very thin line between winning and losing, as the Sox were about to find out. The Sox rolled into Bonnyville on their high horse this past Tuesday and took a 14 to 1 spanking from the hands of the same team they had beaten only a few weeks before. It's a lot of fun when you're giving another team a licking, but not so funny when the shoe is on the other foot and you're on the receiving end. We can make up all kinds of excuses, the day after the long weekend, a few veteran players were missing from the line up, it was a cold

and windy night, but the truth is, not coming prepared to meet the challenge was the main reason the boys lost. Players nonchalantly trying to steal bases and being picked off, other players trying to make a triple out of a double, a few dropped balls in the outfield, a few other easily caught

balls missed completely, pitches just off the plate, a strike in some games called balls in this one. And let's face it, Bonnyville played well in this game, they are no slouches, they do have a quality ball team, in fact some of their best players played with the Sox last season when they won the provincial gold medal. Sometimes it's a good lesson to be

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Review Sports

learned when you have an embarrassing loss, and everyone can take some blame for this one including the coaching staff. Don't take your opponent too lightly, and always take practice seriously, because the way you work at practice is the way you're going to play in the game.

Good news down in the minors, the Elk Point Mosquitoes Number 1 and Number 2 teams played against each other on a very nasty, cold night this past Thursday, the game ending all tied up. Ball games don't normally end in a tie, but this one did, everyone went home happy, very cold and happy it was over, including the Midget Sox scouting staff who was seen bundled up in the stands checking out this incredibly talented pool of ball players.

This coming weekend on Saturday, the Mosquitoes will

be hosting a one-day mini tournament.

And now for the K.A. Campbell quote of the week. "I'd rather fight than score. Scoring is over in a second, but a good fight can last a while and you've got time to enjoy it." Last week's answer to: "It's tough to play against the Hawks, three officials, and 20,000 fans." - Punch Imlach. Do you have a sports scoop? Now you can email them to sportshound007@hotmail.com



Health Advisory Council connects public with Alberta Health Services

By VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

Alberta's Health Advisory Councils "are there to represent the concerns of the public," according to HAC 5 chair Diana Anderson of Elk Point.

The 14-member HAC covers a territory reaching from the Saskatchewan border to west of Rochester and Athabasca and from the North Saskatchewan River to just south of Mariana

Lake, and is one of 12 councils across the province. They were formed by the Alberta Health Services Board to involve communities in improving the health care system and to act as a voice for communities within their geographic areas.

"It is equally important for us to find out what is working well and what needs improvement," Anderson said. "This is a public connection to the

board."

The council is made up of "all volunteers. We are not paid one cent," Anderson told a meeting of the Alberta Council on Aging a week after the HAC's first meeting. "We will have public meetings, and the next one will be in Lac La Biche on June 9. We will pass information from the government on to the people, and to the government from the people." She also stated that the HAC hopes to update residents in the region after each meeting "so you will have an idea of what's happening."

HAC meetings are open to the public to observe,

unless the council decides that all or part of a meeting should be held in camera, Anderson said. Those who wish to be put on the meeting agenda must contact her at (780) 724-4072 at least two weeks prior to the meeting, she added. Future meetings will be held in September, November, January and March in various communities in the region.

The June 9 meeting goes from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the Lac La Biche Hospital's multipurpose room, and will include presentations to the council on seniors' health, primary care and the provincial 21-day menu.

STARS tomorrow, no chamber meeting

By VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

Elk Point Emergency Services' annual golf tournament in support of STARS air rescue will be taking over the Elk Point golf course tomorrow for a full day of action, which ends with a barbecue supper and the presentation of prizes.

Because so many local businesses and individuals in the community are involved in the tournament as participants and volunteers, Elk Point Chamber of Commerce has moved their bi-monthly meeting back a week, to noon on Wednesday, June 9.

Have fun on the golf course, everyone, as you swing for a great cause.



County of St. Paul's Boat Launches Affected by Low Lake Levels

Many of the County's boat launches are inoperable due to low lake levels. The lack of winter precipitation and the dry spring have resulted in water levels receding once again this year. Anyone choosing to launch a boat with a trailer is doing so at their own risk as this may cause damage to their vehicle and equipment.

Because of the safety risks, it is not recommended that visitors with motorized boats use the following boat launches at this time:

- Floatingstone Park • Floatingstone West •
- Westcove • Crestview • Lac Bellevue Park •
- Lac Bellevue East • Mann Lakes • Stoney Lake

While caution is still advised, visitors with small hand-boats may continue to use these boat launches, by hand-launching and walking their boats into deeper water.

Boats can still be launched with care at Lac Sante and Laurier Lake; however, the launching of larger boats may be an issue at these lakes as well.

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Why register during Spring Registration? Avoid coming to August registration, thereby avoiding the rush * Spread out costs by paying for the school fees now and only supplies in the fall.

Who can register during the Spring Registration? Resident students living in the Elk Point attendance area.

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Rain makes Riverland an extreme challenge

By VICKI BROOKER

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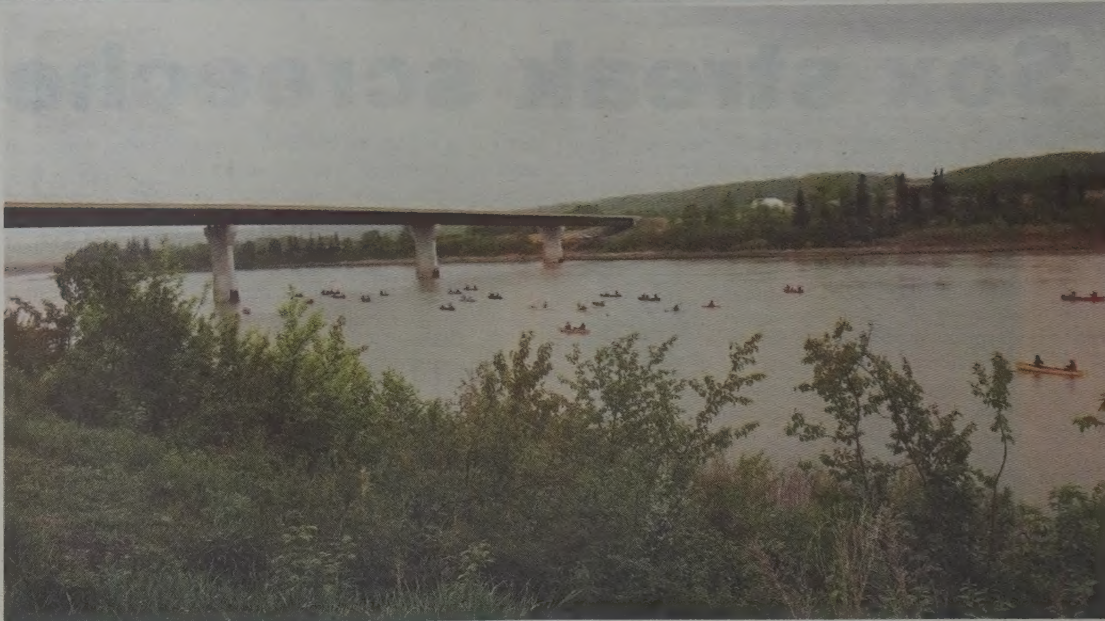
The third annual Riverland Adventure Challenge was considerably more challenging than its predecessors, as icy rain blew up the river just before the black powder rifles of the Edmonton House Brigade signaled the start of the race from the landing adjacent to Elk Point River Campsite. A total of 31 team canoes and a voyageur-style freighter canoe headed eastward into a deluge and a stiff headwind, as a handful of spectators huddled under tents and picnic shelter at the campsite marveled at the participants' courage.

That courage was in short supply as the day wore on, with some participants only completing the canoeing portion, while others soldiered on toward the finish line. The pace was much slower than in the first two challenges, and it was after 1 p.m. before the first pair of runners completed the second leg of the challenge and paused briefly to grab a snack of oranges and watermelon before heading for their bicycles.

Some, chilled and exhausted by the battle with the elements, merely loaded their bikes and canoes at this point and called it a day, while others gamely climbed on their bikes and headed up the winding road for the final leg.

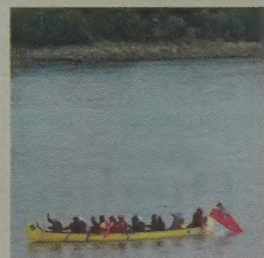
A total of 49 individuals finished the race, Jonathan Grove crossing the finish line in two hours and nine minutes, his teammate Travis Lindquist just four minutes behind him. Age and weather proved no barrier for three-time competitors Emile Dumont, 73, and Rene Champagne, 70, of Bonnyville, who finished the race in two hours, 50 minutes.

Some competitors were not so fortunate, with at least one reported to have suffered hypothermia due to the cold, wet conditions.



Vicki Brooker photo

The flotilla of canoes heads down the North Saskatchewan under Elk Point Bridge, into Saturday morning's bone-chilling rainstorm, as 31 teams of modern-day voyageurs take on the third annual Riverland Challenge.



This authentic voyageur-style canoe traveled in the wake of the flotilla.

Elk Point 4-H Multi Club cooked up pancakes and sausages to send the paddlers off with a good breakfast before their voyage.

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Attention Minor Hockey Families

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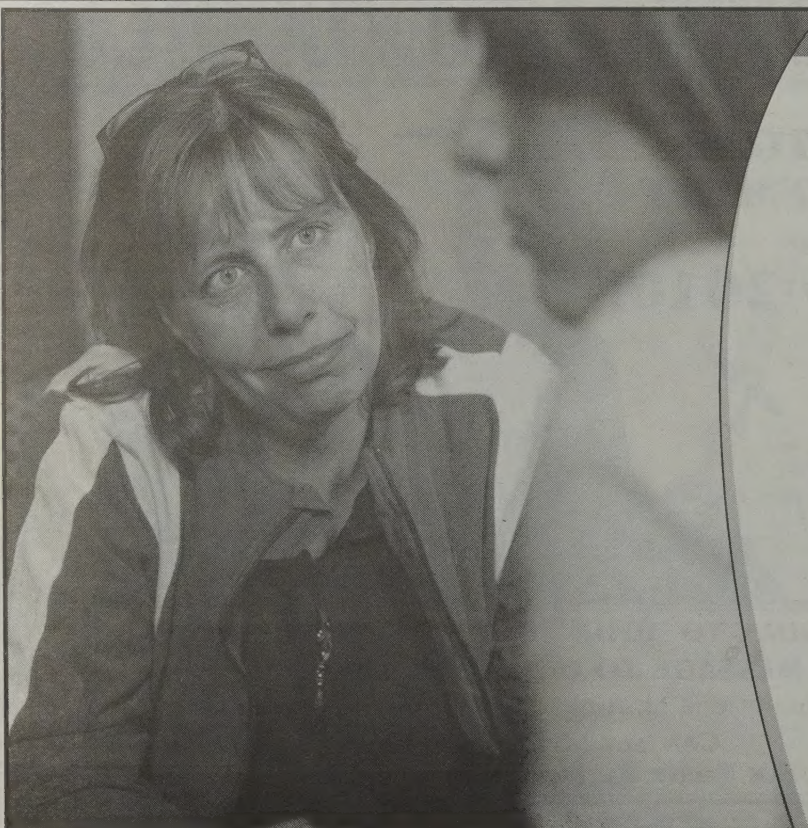
Not everyone has what it takes to protect our youth.

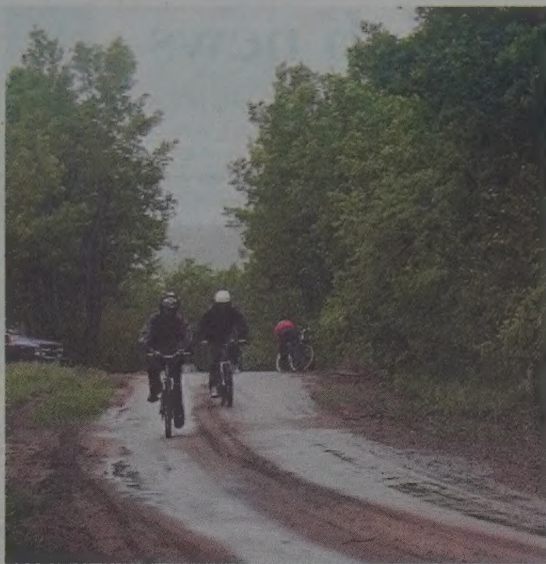
There are a lot of kids out there dealing with some tough stuff. Drugs, abuse, neglect and a general lack of support. And while some of them have been fortunate enough to experience the care of Children's Services workers, this valuable front line support is being strained.

As our population grows and our world gets more and more complicated, the government isn't keeping up with the increasing demand. The results are not good. We're seeing a decrease in the level of available care and less protection for the most vulnerable Albertans — our kids.

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Riverland Challenge participants came out of the woods at the end of the run portion, and hopped on bikes for the final leg.
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First finishers

Jonathan Grove (left) was first across the finish line, in 2:09, with teammate Travis Lindquist close behind, at 2:16.

Bev Smith photo



A brightly-clad trio takes a watermelon break between the run and the bike ride.
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A friendly beaver stopped by to chat with Rob Holliday of the food crew.
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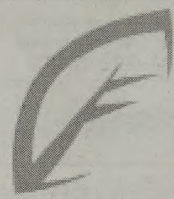
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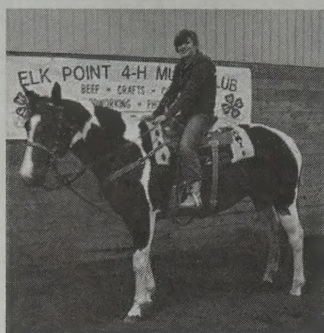
Elk Point 4-H Horse Club news

By BAILEY AND DAYLE OSTER
Review Contributors

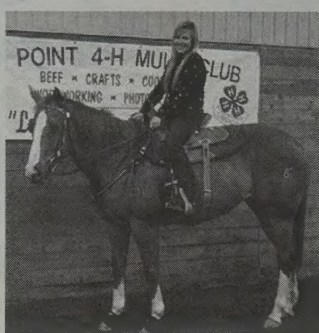
The Elk Point 4H horse club has had a great year. The club consists of 7 girls: Hannah Porozni riding MJ, Seanna Ewasiuk riding Josie Marvin, Ashton Ewasiuk riding Sugar, Dayle Oster riding Tick, Bailey Oster riding Luther, Jasmine Votour riding Blue, and Haileigh

Votour riding Marty. They were led by Lionel Romanchuk and Shannon Ballas. The girls participated in a variety of activities such as roping, barrel racing, pole bending, trail riding and cattle penning. The girls also enjoyed learning how to braid their horses' manes, making halters, and learning some trick riding skills with Colleen, Krista and Amber

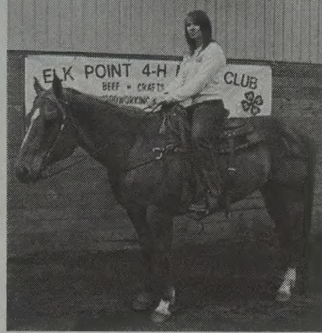
Graham. With the help of Lionel and Shannon, the girls have been practicing their routine for achievement day. We all hope to see you come and support the Elk Point 4H horse club on Friday, June 4th, starting at 4:00 p.m. We had a lot of fun this year, and encourage all interested youth to join up next fall!



Hannah Porozni



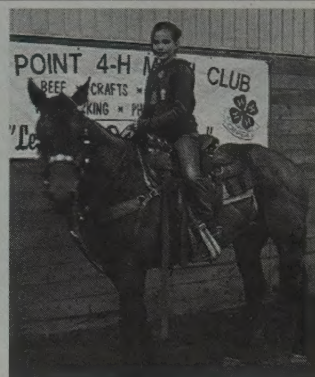
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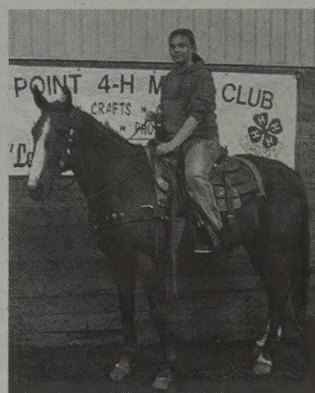
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Talented young pianists perform

By VICKI BROOKER
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Students with between five lessons and six grades of Royal Conservatory training to their credit took their turns in the spotlight on Sunday as Deanna Eashope's young pianists displayed their talents at the year-end recital.

From the simple songs by the beginners to the classics that flew from the fingers of the accomplished students with years of training, all performed well for an appreciative crowd.

Four students showed exceptional talent. Shae Rinas played the Snowflake Rag and the traditional Wedding March with equal ease and style. Tiny but very accomplished Amy

Myshak excelled with Come to My Ceilidh and Impertinence. Nathan Myshak with Scherzo and The Banjo Picker. The most innovative pianist was Carson Tung, who, while taking a break from formal lessons, tracked down the music to his favourite video game, and played the complicated notes with spirit and skill. Good job, everyone!

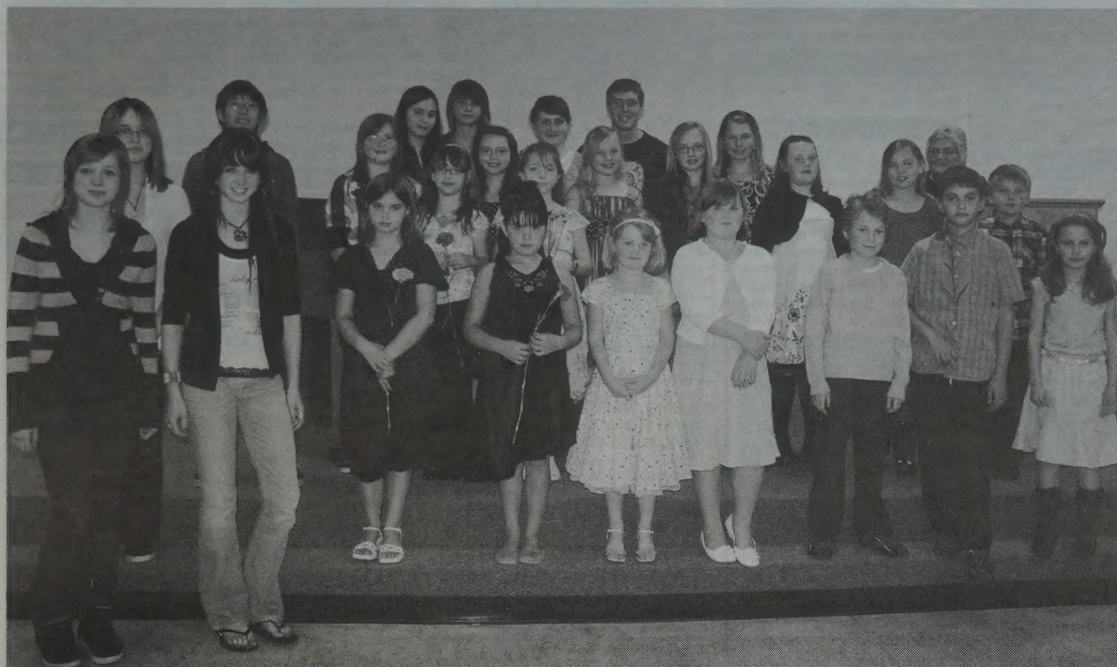
OBITUARY

ARNOLD, Alfred (Buck) Emerson

Buck Arnold of Pointe Claire, PQ, passed away May 11, 2010, surrounded by his family.

Born January 1, 1934, he is survived by his wife Yvonne (Hammond), daughter Mary (Mark) of Ottawa, Ont., son Grant and granddaughter Audrey of Montreal, P.Q., brothers James (Naomi) of Surrey, BC, and Edison (Shirley) of Louisville, KY, USA; sisters, Irene Magnusson of Elk Point, AB. and Virginia (Eric) Carlson of Sointula, BC and many nieces, nephews and cousins. He was predeceased by his first wife Doreen (Akenhead), brothers - Lawrence, Frank, George, Norman and Alan and sisters Grace, Ethel and Anne. Buck lived in Elk Point for his schooling and then served his country in the RCAF as a pilot. His second career was a commercial pilot with Air Canada. He enjoyed gardening, travel, music, church, family and friends.

A Memorial Service was held for him in Pointe Claire, PQ.



Elk Point piano teacher Deanna Eashope poses with her 26 students at the conclusion of Sunday's recital. She is proud of their progress during the year and of their willingness to learn. Students include Destiny Redcrow, Felicity Dean, Sadie Baker, Catherine Bergeron, Sharmayne Pilisko, Keanna Radcliffe, Tessa Pindroch, Olivia Joy Leaf, Emily Shapka, Abby Baker, Laura Shapka, Morgan Baker, Brooke Gormley, Kamryn Coleman, Tim Shapka, Karlee Rinas, Emma Bergeron, Tia Lowry, Shae Rinas, Carson Vogel, Nathan Myshak, Philippe Bergeron, Amy Myshak, Laura Shapka, Carson Tung and Angela Bergeron.

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Sincere congratulations to Dr. Judi L. Malone

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from Charles Sturt University, Australia.



Judi grew up in St. Paul and has been a registered psychologist for 10 years. She also teaches for Athabasca University and Blue Quills First Nations College and shares her knowledge by way of presentations, publications and mentoring. This spring she was a visiting academic at Charles Sturt University where she taught an ethics course to final year psychology students. Judi's family, friends, and colleagues applaud her on her well deserved accomplishment and wish her continued success in her many areas of work and research.

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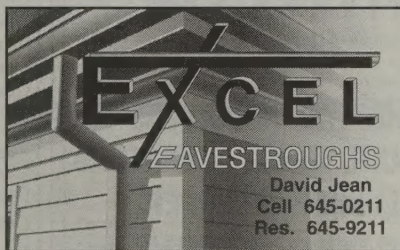
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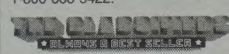
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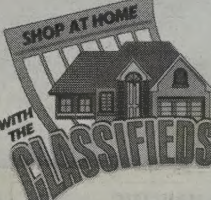


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Big turnout expected for cancer fundraiser

By JANICE HUSER
Review Contributor

Cowboys from near and far will gather for a day filled with fun, competition, and – as will be shown by the pink western wear that is sure to be worn – support for breast cancer research at the Fifth Annual Roping to End Breast Cancer fundraiser.

Five years ago, Laura Lilje and her sister, Lisa, decided they would walk in the popular Weekend to End Breast Cancer event, in Edmonton. But to qualify as participants, the girls had to raise a minimum of \$2,000 each.

In order to help their daughters achieve that financial goal, the Lilje family hosted the first ever Roping to End Breast Cancer event at their home, located in the Boscombe area.

"And it's grown ever since," says Laura. Last year was a huge success, with over 400 roping teams registered and \$13,000 raised. All money raised through stock charges and other donations are donated to the Alberta Cancer Foundation.

This year, the event is set to take place on June 5, starting at about 10 a.m. Organizers are anticipating the roping event will be as big as last year. Also, a live auction will be held sometime in the afternoon.

A concession will be available, and free camping is also offered. It's also free admission for those who want to simply stop by and watch the teams vie for the coveted prizes of new saddles and cash.

Participants are asked to show up on the day of the event to enter the competition.

"It's a really fun day, and it's for a good cause," says Laura.

To get to the event from St. Paul, take Highway 881 north up to Highway 28A and turn west. Follow the highway up to Range Road 102 (located between Mallaig and Ashmont), then travel about one mile south.

There will be signs and pink balloons for people to follow, says Laura, who encourages people to call her at (780) 645-0511 if they have any questions about the event.

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Elk Point Elementary School track and field



A Grade 3 student takes a flying leap as Linda Grabas prepares to measure his landing point.



Eve Kosik fires the starting pistol as the Grade 4 girls compete in the final round of their 100 metre race at last Wednesday's track and field competition.

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Competition was lively as the Grade 4 boys scrambled their way through the Potato Race.



Above, Grade 2 students compete in the Hurdle Race. At right, Leanne Vinge and her assistant hand out ribbons to the winners of a race.



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NOTICE

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO BYLAW NO. 1486

Notice is hereby given that that Council of the County of St. Paul No. 19 is considering **Bylaw No. 1550**, which is a Bylaw to amend Land Use Bylaw No. 1486. The following changes are being proposed:

By amending section 7.24(1) as follows:

Manufactured Homes:

(1) Manufactured homes shall satisfy the Z240-Standard-of-the Canadian Standards Association Safety Codes Inspector that it complies with the Alberta Safety Codes Act.

A Public Hearing will be held on **Tuesday, June 8, 2010** at 11:00 a.m. or as soon thereafter as can possibly be arranged, at the County Office in St. Paul.

For further information, contact the County Office at 780-645-3301.

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